

We regret to hear that Miss McIntosh, one of the sisters of the Civil Hospital, who has been in attendance at the Kennedy-town Hospital since the outbreak of the recent epidemic of plague, is suffering from the disease.

The Registrar-General's returns of births and deaths for the quarter ended 30th June shows that for the British and Foreign community the birth-rate was 16.96 and the death-rate 23.36, and for the Chinese community the birth-rate was 2.71 and the death-rate 26.65.

VESSELS AT THE DOCKS.—At Kowloon: Aditya, Reina, Cristina, Evandale, Strathallan, Picoia, Nanpang.
Campanillon.—Wandering Jew.
Alderden.—None.

The New Victoria Hotel, which is under the able management of Messrs Midar and Farmer, will open a restaurant in connection with the hotel on 1st September next. An advertisement will be found in our advertising columns, giving the scale of charges for breakfast, dinner, and tea.

At the Magistrate's court, before Commissioner Hastings, a blue-jacket from H.M.S. *Gryphon* was charged with assaulting P. C. Ritchie (No. 81) and also with attempting to rescue a prisoner in Queen's Road last night. He was found guilty. The Magistrate, in passing sentence of twenty-one days' hard labour, said prisoner had made a very bad beginning to his stay in China.

Inspector Butlin made a neat capture last night of thirty-seven men engaged in gambling in the house at Yau-mat. He has suspected the place for some time, and he posted several constables near the house. On entering the house the whole of the men were found round the tables engaged in a game of *pat lou*. They were not astonished at the entrance of the Police that no attempt was made to escape. Two of the men were fined \$50, and the remainder \$3 at the Magistrate's court.

At the Magistrate's court, Ng Choi, a servant out of employment, was charged before Commissioner Hastings with stealing two gold diamond rings and four gold rings set with rubies, value \$300, the property of a Chinese gentleman living in Staunton Street. The thief was arrested in a house, in Tung Wah Lane by Detective-Sergeant McIvor, who on searching the prisoner's box found pawdickets for three of the stolen rings. Prisoner admitted the crime, and was sentenced to six months' hard labour.

The performance at Wirth's Circus at East Point was witnessed by a good turn-out of spectators on Saturday night. The weather was such that it could not have been surprising if there had been a falling off in numbers, and it was at first contemplated by the management that the performance should not take place, but all doubts on this score were speedily dispelled when the crowd began to 'roll up' in its hundreds. Taking all over every item on the programme was gone through with commendable ability. To-night, the Circus will show as usual, but there will be no performance on Tuesday night, the management according to a generally expressed desire that there should be a matinee performance in the afternoon instead. This is to meet the convenience of parents who desire their children to see the circus without having to be compelled to go home at a late hour in the evening. The matinee will commence at five o'clock, and will terminate in time for dinner. The full programme will be given. As this is the only day performance to be given during the stay of the circus in Hongkong, the opportunity should not be missed by those parents who wish to give their children a treat.

Three blue-jackets of H.M.S. *Edgar*—James Ainslie, Jeremiah Demog and John Green, a Scotsman, a Welshman and an Englishman—were ashore on Saturday night to have a few hours' conviviality together in prospect of the *Edgar's* voyage home. Shortly after ten o'clock the three jolly tars staggered out of a tavern and manoeuvred along the Praya. P. C. Hoggarth (No. 70) checked them for some unseemly conduct, when the trio set upon him, threw him to the ground and assaulted him. The constable endeavored to blow his whistle for assistance, but the whistle was torn out of his hand. Fortunately a Chinese watchman came along, and seeing the constable struggling, blew his whistle attracting an Indian and a Chinese constable to the spot. The blue-jackets, on hearing the watchman's whistle, released Hoggarth, who got up, drew his truncheon and felled one of the tars to the ground. The three blue-jackets were taken to No. 2 Station. When charged with the assault at the Station one of the prisoners said if he had had his knife with him no policeman would have arrested him. Hoggarth was badly bruised about the left eye, and in the struggle his whistle and cap were lost. He is deserving of great credit for the plucky way he performed his duty. This is the same watchman who distinguished himself in the Wanchai murder case. At the Magistrate's court, Commissioner Hastings sentenced the three prisoners to twenty-eight days' hard labour each, with \$2 each compensation for damages, in default of payment an additional ten days' imprisonment.

New Book of Plans and Sailing Maps.—W. Robinson & Co.

All hope of saving the steamer *Andalus* from her dangerous position in the Sittoung River has been abandoned. Persistent attempts were made to move the vessel, but without result. According to an old resident of Burma, only one vessel within the last twenty-five years was ever recovered when an accident took her into the Sittoung River, and since then several vessels have become total wrecks in the same vicinity. The Sittoung River is a most dangerous one; the tides run very strong, bore or of constant occurrence, and, once a vessel is stranded, it is almost impossible to get her off, especially in the S. W. Monsoon.

In this tale of woe, there are some points which our readers may wish to know. It is to throw themselves upon the editor of a newspaper, with their sorrows and trials and tribulations, and who expect us to work up a perennial flow of sympathy. We did at one time; but as Mr A. P. MacEwen says 'the times are changing and we must change with them.' We think we have now got an antidote for the persistent beachcomber—the antidote is registered number 1 Q 233, and once his fustian is in the most successful position of the beachcomber's anatomy the beachcomber wishes he had it. The letter-writer, who imagines the average newspaper is a mine of wealth, and that it can well stand the expenses of a libel action, with its contingencies of Court and lawyers' fees, is a more difficult subject to deal with. One gentleman writes to us under the nom-de-plume of 'Retribution,' to tell us of a couple bearing a German name who have slipped from Hongkong and gone to Singapore under an assumed name, leaving behind them in Hongkong and in at least one of the Coast Ports quite a number of chits and promissory notes. 'Retribution,' who is one of the victims, wishes us to publish the 'hue and cry' for the benefit of Japan, Singapore, and Java. We are afraid our warning can be of little avail, as we dare not give the names of 'the vandals.' In quite another strain is a contribution from someone who evidently disapproves of the codding of sick Tommy Atkins. It is as follows:—Subscriptions are urgently requested for the poor sick patients now lying in the Military Hospital at Hongkong, for the purpose of supplying them with rocking horses, ginger pop and sugar sticks. Owners of private launches could also greatly add to the comforts of the aforesaid poor sick patients by lending the launches for letting parties, &c. Any old rickshaws and time-expired coolies, together with a few bicycles would be thankfully received. A little drop of 'short' to go with their grub at 9 p.m. would also greatly increase their comfort already partaking of the benefits derived thereby. Who is our correspondent 'getting at'?

The hearing of the libel action against the *Shanghai Mercury* (the result of which has already been published) took place on the 26th and 27th July before Sir N. J. Hannen. The evidence tended to show that the libellous letters or paragraphs published by the *Mercury* drew a parallel between the Institution St Joseph at Shanghai and the Hotel Dieu at Montreal mentioned in 'Maria Monk.' Several witnesses having been examined as to the impressions the published matter left upon their minds, Mrs Jules, wife of an employee of the Imperial Maritime Customs, was examined by Mr H. S. Wilkins, Counsel for the Institution, regarding a conversation with Mr J. D. Clark (one of the defendants) in connection with the late Mr Fraser Smith's affairs. Mr Clark said that when Fraser Smith died he (Mr Clark) had charge of a parcel of Fraser Smith's papers, some letters which Mrs Jules wrote and some photographs. There was nothing compromising in the letters, and her husband knew about them. In the course of the conversation, Mr Clark said he could get people to prove that children were ill-treated in the Institution. Witness denied that she or her sister had been ill-treated in the Institution. Mrs. Roelov, wife of a Portuguese foreman in the *Mercury* office, stated that she was sent by Mr Clark to the Mother Superior to appeal to her to settle the case without going into Court. Mr Wilkins, addressing the jury, mentioned that Tis. 200 had been offered to settle the case. This was refused, and they also refused to accept Mr Clark's apology for endeavouring to take away the good name of the ladies in charge of the Institution. He submitted that it would be a matter of evil consequences, if it were permitted to an editor of a newspaper to publish such a fearful and atrocious libel and then come in and say 'I will give you Tis. 200 and if you do not take that and go into Court you will probably have the case of the trial against you.' It would be monstrous, and he accordingly asked for substantial damages. Mr Drummond's speech for the defence has not arrived. The jury were—Messrs F. Mann, W. Roberts, E. Wilcockson, J. H. Crown, and R. Macgregor. After twenty minutes' deliberation, they awarded the Plaintiff Tis. 1,000 and costs, and expressed an opinion that an apology, to be dictated by the Plaintiff, should be inserted in the paper which published the libel.

Lieutenant Richard Morrissey, R.N., late of H.M.S. *Mercury*, is appointed to H.M.S. *Albatross* at Hongkong.

By order of the Hon. the Secretary of the Admiralty, the following list of names of the crew of the *Albatross* is published:—

THE DAIRY FARM COMPANY, LIMITED.
RECONSTRUCTION OF THE COMPANY.
An extraordinary general meeting of the shareholders of the Dairy Farm Co., Ltd., was held in the Company's town depot today for the purpose of confirming the special resolutions passed at the extraordinary general meeting of the Company, held on the 6th July. Dr Noble presided. The other gentlemen present were:—Messrs G. Sharp and Captain A. Tillett (Directors); J. Walker (Manager); G. C. O. Moore, G. C. Cox, J. M. L. Machado, Spencer, Deacon, W. H. Ray, Wong Ping, and W. H. Potts (Secretary).

The Secretary read the circular calling the meeting which embodied the following resolutions passed at the extraordinary general meeting on the 6th July:—

That it is desirable to reconstruct the Company, and accordingly that the Company be wound up voluntarily, and that Mr William Hutton Potts be and he is hereby appointed Liquidator for the purposes of such winding up.

That the said Liquidator be and he is hereby authorized to consent to the registration of a new Company, to be named The Dairy Farm Company, Limited, with a Memorandum and Articles of Association which have already been prepared with the privity and approval of the Directors of this Company.

That the draft agreement submitted to this meeting and expressed to be made between the Company and its Liquidator of the one part, and the Dairy Farm Company, Limited, of the other part, be and the same is hereby approved, and that the said Liquidator be, and he is hereby authorized, pursuant to Section 149 of the Companies Ordinance, 1868, to enter into an agreement with such new Company (when incorporated) in the terms of the said draft, and to carry the same into effect with such (if any) modifications as he thinks expedient.

The Chairman said—Gentlemen, you have heard the notice just read, and it only remains for me to put these resolutions before you. I think we are going to put the three together—for your confirmation. All who are in favour of these resolutions passed on the 6th July will kindly signify.

Mr G. Sharp seconded.
The Chairman—Gentlemen, that is all the business of the meeting. I am very much obliged to you for your attendance. That winds up the old Company and starts the new, and I might add, or say that the new Company have augmented their herd largely and there is an ample supply of milk to all customers who may present themselves—in fact, we have a large surplus. I thank you very much for your attendance.

REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.
[SUPPLIED TO THE 'CHINA MAIL']
LONDON, July 24, 1896.
PROGRESS OF THE IRISH LAND BILL.
The Irish Land Bill has passed the Committee stage.

THE UNITED STATES—THE APPROACHING ELECTION.
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Is the hot weather which we are experiencing a popular knowledge of every precaution which can be adopted to prevent an attack of heat apoplexy is of the highest value. A lately published our Australian colonies has now been speedily reported. It appears that during January, 300 persons died of sunstroke, a Colonial Government asked the Medical Board to issue appropriate instructions for the avoidance of this grave disease. The Board is stated to have declared that, of all protecting measures, undue indulgence in intoxicating liquor is the most common and the most dangerous. Further, that during the attack it is dangerous to employ incautious as a remedy. We cordially endorse this opinion. In many cases sunstroke has been gradually been alcohol stroke, and in other cases an injudicious resort to alcohol temporarily has endangered the sufferer's life. Even by the abstinent, under extreme heat conditions, it is essential that such common-sense precautions as the wearing of appropriate clothing, of light, non-reflecting material, and the use of cool, refreshing drinks should be adopted. Undoubtedly, however, the strictly abstinent have the least risk of heat apoplexy.—*British Medical Journal*.

'If the blood is diseased the body is diseased.—Remember that the blood, whether pure or impure, circulates through the organs of the human body.—Lungs, Heart, Stomach, Kidneys, Brain. If it is laden with poisonous matter it spreads disease on its course. In cases of Gonorrhoea, Syphilis, Eczema, Red Legs, Skin and Blood Diseases, Pimples, and sores of all kinds the use of Clark's Blood-Mixture is essential. Thousands of wonderful cures have been effected by it. Clark's Blood-Mixture is sold everywhere at 2s. 6d. per bottle. Beware of cheap imitations and substitutes.'

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YE UNVEILING OF YE IMPERIAL PAVILION.
A REMINISCENT FORECAST.
Yeophil of Creation!
Who claim one's recreation
And the Praya's Recreation
So tenderly alone.
Ye sons of Zoroaster!
Who scarce have a pleasure
Attend to the disaster
On our Island shore.

When William Knight of Cruze
Beheld the crowd that grew so,
He felt this modern stevedore
Was a thing to keep in store
For his Chinese fellow.
When our Sovereign Queen might

Notices to Consignees.

NORTHERN PACIFIC STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

STEAMSHIP OLYMPIA.
FROM TACOMA, VICTORIA, YOKOHAMA, KOBE, MOJI AND SHANGHAI.

THE above Steamer having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for counter signature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

DODWELL, CARLILL & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, July 24, 1896. 1492

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE PENINSULAR & ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY'S STEAMER FORMOSA.

FROM ANTWERP, LONDON AND STRAITS.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above-named Vessel are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and stored in their risk in the Godowns and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godowns at Kowloon, where each consignment will be sorted out Mark by Mark and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.

Optional Goods will be landed here unless instructions are given to the contrary before 10 a.m. on the 24th Inst.

Goods not cleared by the 24th Inst., at 4 p.m., will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by me in any case whatever.

All Damaged Packages must be left in the Godowns and a certificate of the damage obtained from the Godown Company within ten days after the vessel's arrival here after which no Claims will be recognized.

H. A. RITCHIE, Superintendent.

Hongkong, July 23, 1896. 1492

FROM HAMBURG, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE Steamer Santa, Captain J. Voss, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for counter signature by the Undermanned, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before 3 p.m. To-day.

Any Cargo impeding discharge will be landed into the Godowns of the Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co., Ltd., and stored at Consignees' risk and expense. No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 28th Inst. will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 27th Inst., at 8 p.m. No Fire Insurance has been effected.

SIEMSEN & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, July 21, 1896. 1461

GLEN LINE OF STEAM PACKETS.

FROM LONDON AND STRAITS.

THE Steamer Glenfruin having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo by her are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and stored in the Godowns of the Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co., Ltd., at Kowloon, where delivery may be obtained.

Cargo remaining undelivered after the 28th Inst. will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Consignees are requested to present all Claims for damages and/or shortages not later than the 2nd Prox., otherwise they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 1st Prox., at 11 a.m.

Bills of Lading will be counter-signed by JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, July 20, 1896. 1451

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE PENINSULAR & ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY'S STEAMER HYDRA.

FROM BOMBAY AND STRAITS.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above-named Vessel are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and stored in the Godowns of the Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co., Ltd., at Kowloon, where each consignment will be sorted out Mark by Mark and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.

Goods not cleared by the 26th Inst., at 4 p.m., will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by me in any case whatever.

All Damaged Packages must be left in the Godowns and a certificate of the damage obtained from the Godown Company within ten days after the vessel's arrival here after which no Claims will be recognized.

H. A. RITCHIE, Superintendent.

Hongkong, July 20, 1896. 1463

Shipping.

Steamers.

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY AND TAMSUI.

The Co.'s Steamship *Formosa*, Captain ROSSER, will be despatched for the above Ports TO-MORROW, the 28th Instant, at Noon.

For Freight or Passage, apply to DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co., General Managers.

Hongkong, July 27, 1896. 1606

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR PORT DARWIN, QUEENSLAND PORTS, SYDNEY & MELBOURNE.

The Steamship *Changsha*, Capt. WILLIAMS, will be despatched on TUESDAY, the 28th Instant, at 3 p.m.

The attention of Passengers is directed to this Steamer. First-class Saloon is situated forward of the Engine Room. A Refrigerating Chamber ensures the supply of Fresh Provisions during the entire voyage. A fully-qualified Surgeon is carried, and the Vessel is fitted throughout with Electric Light.

For Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.

Hongkong, July 15, 1896. 1413

THE CHINA & MANILA STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR MANILA (DIRECT).

The Co.'s Steamship *Zigro*, Captain OSMAN, will be despatched for the above Ports on TUESDAY, the 28th Inst., at 5 p.m., instead of as previously advertised. This Steamer has superior Accommodation for Passengers.

For Freight or Passage, apply to SHEWAN, TOMES & Co., General Managers.

Hongkong, July 25, 1896. 1478

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR YOKOHAMA AND KOBE.

The Co.'s Steamship *Taiyuan*, Captain NELSON, will be despatched as above on WEDNESDAY, the 29th Instant.

For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.

Hongkong, July 22, 1896. 1473

NORDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

STEAM TO YOKOHAMA, KOBE AND NAGASAKI.

(Passing through the INLAND SEA).

The Co.'s Steamship *Hohenzollern*, Capt. A. HANNISOWITZ, will leave for the above Ports on or about WEDNESDAY, the 29th Instant.

For further Particulars, apply to MELOERS & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, July 24, 1896. 1494

NORDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

NOTICE.

STEAM TO SHANGHAI.

The Co.'s Steamship *Sachsen*, Captain H. SURAN, due here with the outward German Mail about the 28th Instant, will leave for the above place about 24 hours after arrival.

For further Particulars, apply to MELOERS & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, July 23, 1896. 1485

THE OREGON RAILWAY AND NAVIGATION COMPANY'S PACIFIC STEAMSHIP LINE.

CHINA AND JAPAN.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG, 1896. (SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.)

Chitango... Friday... 31st July.
Mammothshire... Saturday... 16th August.

TAKING PASSENGERS AND CARGO FOR UNITED STATES AND CANADA AT REDUCED RATES.

The Steamship *Chitango* will be despatched hence for PORTLAND, OREGON, via KOBE and YOKOHAMA, on FRIDAY, the 31st July.

Consular Invoice of Goods for United States Points should be in Quoduplicate, and one Copy must be sent forward by the Steamer to the care of the GENERAL FREIGHT AGENT, Oregon Railway and Navigation Co., Portland, Oregon.

The S.S. *Mammothshire* has superior Accommodation for Saloon Passengers.

For further information as to Passage and Freight, apply to SHEWAN, TOMES & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, July 25, 1896. 1502

CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY COMPANY.

FOR PACIFIC COAST, CANADA AND THE UNITED STATES.

The Steamship *Rufus* will be despatched on or about WEDNESDAY, the 29th Inst., for VICTORIA, VANCOUVER (B.C.), via NAGASAKI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA.

Through Bills of Lading issued to Japan, Pacific Coast, Canadian and United States Ports.

For Particulars as to Rates, &c., apply to D. E. BROWN, General Agent.

Hongkong, July 22, 1896. 1472

Shipping.

Steamers.

MOGUL LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR SHANGHAI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.

The Steamship *Formosa*, Capt. DUNCAN, will be despatched as above on or about WEDNESDAY, the 29th Instant.

For Freight or Passage, apply to DODWELL, CARLILL & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, July 22, 1896. 1471

STEAM FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, PORT SAID, MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP.

The Chartered Steamship *Edinburgh*, Capt. MCGILLIVRAY, will be despatched as above on or about the 31st Instant.

For Freight or Passage, apply to NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

Hongkong, July 14, 1896. 1421

SHIRE LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR HAYRE, HAMBURG AND LONDON.

The Steamship *Monmouthshire*, Captain EVANS, will be despatched for the above Ports on or about the 31st July.

For Freight or Passage, apply to DODWELL, CARLILL & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, July 2, 1896. 1343

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR TIENTSIN.

The Co.'s Steamship *Nanchang*, Capt. SYLVESTER, will be despatched as above on SATURDAY, the 1st Proximo.

For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.

Hongkong, July 23, 1896. 1488

RICKMERS REGULAR LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR MARSEILLES, HAYRE AND HAMBURG.

(Taking Cargo at through rates to RED SEA, MEDITERRANEAN and BLACK SEA PORTS).

The Co.'s Steamship *Maria Rickmers*, Captain E. BESE, will be despatched as above on THURSDAY, the 6th August.

For Freight, apply to ARNOLD, KARBURG & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, July 9, 1896. 1331

'STRATH' LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR NEW YORK VIA SUEZ CANAL.

The Steamship *Strathmore*, Captain PARRIS, will be despatched for the above Ports on or about the 10th August.

For Freight or Passage, apply to DODWELL, CARLILL & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, July 18, 1896. 1446

SHELL LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR LONDON AND HAMBURG.

The Co.'s Steamship *Euphrates*, Captain MILES, will be despatched as above on MONDAY, the 10th August.

For Freight, apply to ARNOLD, KARBURG & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, July 18, 1896. 1442

Sailing Vessels.

FOR BALTIMORE.

The 9/3 A.T. American Ship *James Reid*, Captain P. D. WALSH, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to ARNOLD, KARBURG & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, June 30, 1896. 1321

FOR NEW YORK.

The 9/3 A.T. American Ship *Manuel Flanagan*, Captain SHALL, will load here for the above Port and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to SIEMSEN & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, June 6, 1896. 1170

FOR NEW YORK.

The 9/3 A.T. American Ship *Charles E. Moody*, Captain LEONARD, shortly expected here, will load for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to ARNOLD, KARBURG & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, June 30, 1896. 1322

FOR SAN FRANCISCO.

The 100 A.T. British Ship *Scotta*, Rovers, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to SHEWAN, TOMES & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, May 21, 1896. 1392

FOR NEW YORK.

The 100 A.T. American Ship *Fast River*, Master, shortly expected from Shanghai, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to CARLTON & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, July 22, 1896. 1446

Mails.

U. S. Mail Line.

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN AND HONOLULU.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

City of Rio de Janeiro (via Amoy, Nankai, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama and Honolulu)..... Friday, July 31, at 5 p.m.

City of Peking (via Amoy, Nankai, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama and Honolulu)..... Sunday, August 16, at daylight.

China (via Amoy, Nankai, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama and Honolulu)..... Thursday, Sept. 3, at noon.

THE U. S. Mail Steamship CITY OF RIO DE JANEIRO will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO, via AMOY, NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND SEA, YOKOHAMA and HONOLULU, on FRIDAY, the 31st July, at 5 p.m., taking Passengers and Freight for Japan, the United States, and Europe.

Steamers of this line pass through the INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, and call at HONOLULU, where passengers are allowed to make their journey at any point en route. Through Passage Tickets granted to England, France, and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines of Steamers, and to the principal cities of the United States or Canada. Rates may be obtained on application.

Passengers holding ORDERS TO EUROPE have the choice of the Overland Rail routes from San Francisco, including the SOUTHERN PACIFIC, CENTRAL PACIFIC, UNION PACIFIC, DENVER and RIO GRANDE and NORTHERN PACIFIC RAILWAYS; also the CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY on payment of 24 in addition to the regular tariff rate.

Passengers holding ORDERS TO OVERLAND CITIES in the United States have, between San Francisco and Chicago, the option of the SOUTHERN PACIFIC, CENTRAL PACIFIC, UNION PACIFIC, DENVER and RIO GRANDE and other direct connecting Railways, and from Chicago to destination, the choice of direct lines.

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Freight will be received on board until 4 p.m. the day previous to sailing. Parcel Packages will be received at the office until 5 p.m. same day. All Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; value of same in required.

Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo destined to points beyond San Francisco in the United States, should be sent to the Company's Office in Social Revolution, and delivered to the Collector of Customs at San Francisco.

For further information as to Passage and Freight, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 7, Praya Central.

J. S. VAN BUREN, Agent.

Hongkong, July 27, 1896. 1411

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VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN AND HONOLULU.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG. (Subj. to Alteration.)

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Doric (via Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama and Honolulu)..... Tuesday, Aug. 25, at noon.

Belgia (via Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama and Honolulu)..... Saturday, Sept. 12, at noon.

THE Steamship GALLE will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO, via NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND SEA, YOKOHAMA and HONOLULU, on SATURDAY, the 6th August, at Noon, connection being made at Yokohama with Steamers from Shanghai.

Steamers of this line pass through the INLAND SEA OF JAPAN and call at HONOLULU, and passengers are allowed to make their journey at any point en route.

Through Passengers Tickets granted to England, France, and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines of Steamers, and to the principal cities of the United States or Canada. Rates and particulars of the various routes may be obtained upon application.

Special rates (first class only) are granted to Missionaries, members of the Navy, Military, Diplomatic, and Civil Services, to European officials in service of China and Japan, and to Government officials and their families.

Passengers who have paid full fare, re-embarking at San Francisco for China or Japan (or vice versa) within one year, will obtain a discount of 10 per cent. This discount does not apply to through fares from China and Japan to Europe.

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New Bank of China, Ltd.	30,000	120	all	183 1/2 prem., —\$304, buyers
Bank of China & Japan, Limited	30,000	120	all	183 1/2 prem., —\$304, buyers
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Marine Insurance Co., Ltd.	10,000	40	all	250, sellers
Canton Insurance Co., Ltd.	10,000	40	all	250, sellers
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Union Insurance Society, Ltd.	10,000	40	all	250, sellers
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China Fire Insurance Co., Ltd.	10,000	40	all	250, sellers
Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Ltd.	10,000	40	all	250, sellers
Do.	10,000	40	all	250, sellers
H'kong & Whampoa Dock Co., Ltd.	12,500	125	all	187 1/2 prem., —\$353.75, sales
China and Manilla S. S. Co., Ltd.	5,000	50	all	\$74, sellers
Douglas Steamship Co., Limited	20,000	200	all	\$84, buyers
H.K. & N. S. S. S. Co., Limited	20,000	200	all	\$84, buyers
Indo-China S. S. Co., Limited	20,000	200	all	\$84, buyers
China Mutual S. S. Co., Limited	20,000	200	all	\$84, buyers
Do.	20,000	200	all	\$84, buyers
China Sugar Company, Limited	20,000	200	all	\$116, sellers
Leong Seng Company, Limited	7,000	70	all	\$54, sellers
H.K. & Kow. Wharf & Godown Co., Limited	20,000	200	all	\$54, sellers
Wanchai Warehouse and Storage Co., Limited	2,000	20	all	\$74, buyers
Hongkong Land Investment and Agency Company, Limited	50,000	500	all	\$74, buyers
Kowloon Land and Building Co., Limited	6,000	60	all	\$18, sellers
Hampshire Estate & Finance Co., Limited	25,000	250	all	\$18, sellers
West Point Building Co., Limited	12,500	125	all	\$18, sellers
H.K. High-Level Tramways Co., Ltd.	1,250	12.5	all	\$96
Jeleba Mining & Trading Co., Ltd.	45,000	450	all	\$1, sales and sellers
Punjab Mining Co., Ltd.	50,000	500	all	\$14, buyers
Societe Francaise des Charbons	13,000	130	all	\$74
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Raub Aust. Gold Mining Co., Ltd.	20,000	200	all	\$13/10, 65.55
Olivea Freehold Mines, Ltd.	20,000	200	all	\$13/10, 65.55
China-Borneo Company, Ltd.	7,500	75	all	\$55, buyers
H. G. Brown & Co., Limited	6,000	60	all	\$8
Hongkong Hotel Company, Ltd.	6,000	60	all	\$28, buyers
A. S. Watson & Co., Limited	30,000	300	all	\$12, sales
Dakin, Quickhant & Co., Ltd.	50,000	500	all	\$12, sales
H.K. and China Gas Co., Limited	7,000	70	all	\$100, buyers
Hongkong Electric Co., Limited	30,000	300	all	\$84, buyers
Great Inland Cement Co., Ltd.	20,000	200	all	\$10, 117, sales
Bell's Asbestos Eastern Agency, Ltd.	3,000	30	all	\$12, 15, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 100

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